

January 13, 2025  
North Platte, Nebraska

Meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Present were Commissioners Joe Hewgley, Kent Weems, Micaela Wuehler, Chris Bruns, Jerry Woodruff and County Clerk, Rebecca Rossell. Hewgley offered prayer. Hewgley called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Hewgley announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting held on January 6, 2025. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none. Wuehler abstained.

An election was held for County Board Chairperson for 2025. Commissioner Wuehler was nominated by Commissioner Woodruff. Wuehler accepted the nomination. All board members voted "aye" for Wuehler.

An election was held for County Board Vice Chairperson for 2025. Commissioner Woodruff was nominated by Commissioner Hewgley. Woodruff accepted the nomination. Woodruff abstained. All other board members voted "aye".

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Woodruff to receive and order filed the treasurer's receipts. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to receive and order filed the fee reports submitted by the County Clerk and County Sheriff. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Weems to receive and order filed the Condition of the Treasury- July 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Woodruff to adopt Resolution No. 2025-01 authorizing the County Treasurer to invest funds for 2025. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted "aye". Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners recessed at 9:15 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization convened.

Chairwoman Wuehler announced the Open Meeting Act with amendments is posted for public review and the county board will comply with the open meeting requirements.

County Assessor Julie Stenger appeared along with County Treasurer, Sheri Newton.



An election was held for Board of Equalization Chairperson for 2025. Commissioner Wuehler was nominated by Commissioner Hewgley. Wuehler accepted the nomination. All board members voted “aye”.

An election was held for Board of Equalization Vice Chairperson for 2025. Commissioner Woodruff was nominated by Commissioner Hewgley. Woodruff accepted the nomination. Woodruff abstained. All other board members voted “aye”.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Hewgley to approve the minutes regarding the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting held on January 6, 2025. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none. Wuehler abstained.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Woodruff to approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign the certificates of correction or refund submitted by the County Assessor on real property. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

Motion by Weems, seconded by Hewgley to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application by First Baptist Church of Maxwell as submitted and recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

Motion by Hewgley, seconded by Weems to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application by Goodwill Industries of Greater NE Inc. as submitted and recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

Motion by Bruns, seconded by Woodruff to approve the motor vehicle tax exemption application by North Platte Baptist Church as submitted and recommended for approval by the County Treasurer as requested documentation had been provided. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

The Lincoln County Board of Equalization adjourned at 9:26 A.M. and the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners reconvened.

County Board members discussed the process used for annual department head appointments in the past and how to handle the appointment process in the future.

Motion by Weems, seconded by Woodruff to approve the appointments of the following department heads for 2025: Highway Supt – Jason Schultz – License #1753 – Class B – Full Time Employment – January 1, 2025 – December 31, -2025; Noxious Weed Supt



Todd Herndon; Region 51 Emergency Management Director – Brandon Myers; and Veterans Service Officer- Thomas Gann. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Bruns to have the Personnel Committee review and bring back to the County Board recommendations on the annual salaries for the following appointed department heads for 2025: Highway Supt, Noxious Weed Supt, Region 51 Emergency Management Director and Veterans Service Officer. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Weems voted “nay”. Motion carried.

Motion by Weems, seconded by Bruns to authorize the Chairperson to sign a letter of support for West Central Nebraska Development District Betterment Grant Application for a new vehicle. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

Discussion was held concerning policies and adjustment of fees for Lincoln County Predator Control Program. Committee members reported that the program has had a positive impact in county. They want to increase the return on investment but keep the cost affordable for landowners. A different vehicle will be a substantial cost in the future and will be a budget challenge. The possibility of consolidating this program with the County Road Department or Noxious Weed Department was raised to coordinate time and personnel more efficiently. It was recommended to raise program rates now to give the county a better look at viability of the program at budget time. Commissioner Woodruff stated he felt the proposed mileage rate was still too low and suggested raising it.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Weems to increase the following fees for the Predator Control Program for 2025: Labor - \$50.00 per hour; Mileage - \$2.00 per mile; whole oats to \$2.00 per pound; Zinc Phosphide - \$6.50 per pound; Rosol - \$6.50 per pound; and Ammo - \$1.00 each. Force control fees will be doubled plus a management fee of \$250. Upon roll call vote Hewgley, Weems, Wuehler, Bruns and Woodruff voted “aye”. Nays, none.

Hear concerns from Elected Officials, Department Heads, or their representative.

Lincoln County Commissioners Committee Reports.

Approved the following claims as presented for payment. Motion carried.

**GENERAL:**

ACME PRNTNG CO	se	100
ALL SAFE INDSTS INC	se	7613.97
ALLO	se	2415.6
AMZN CPTL SRVCS	se	396.75
BEAR CMMRCL	se	1000



BIBLE SPLS	se	10.75
BLCK HLLS STG LNS	se	294.75
CPTL BUSN STMS INC	se	6079.5
CPTL ONE	se	533.27
CPTL ONE	se	152.79
CDW GVMNT INC	eq	410.01
CNTRY LNK	se	641.4
CHTR COM	se	159.97
SPTRM	se	154.98
CITY OF NP	su	40458.79
CLLGN	se	58.89
DAS CENTRL FIN	cont	94.57
DR DEB'S	se	2500
DXP ENTRPS, INC	se	185
EAKES	su	1111.39
FAIRFIELD INN	ldg	249.9
FAIRFIELD INN	ldg	550
GALLS AN ARMRK CO	su	330.39
GLBLSTR USA	se	132.52
HLDY INN EXP	se	374.85
HMTWN LSNG	rt	439.8
JC AUTO	su	8.37
JACK'S UNFRMS	ex	77.94
JORGENSONS' LWN SRV	se	1299.03
JUSTICE WRKS LLC	se	200
J GOSNELL	mil	25.51
J ROBERTS	mil	12.6
KEITH CO CLRK	se	711.52
LARRY'S RADTR	se	382.86
LINCOLN CO CRT	se	3517
L FREDERICK	mil	3.5
MNRDS	se	403.42
MNTZR OIL	se	294.77
MIDWEST CNCT	se	277.46
MIPS INC	su	3077.81
NACO	se	335
NE AG-NEWS	se	129
NE SFTY & FR EQP INC	su	85
NP POLICE DPTMNT	cont	24467
NP TELEGRAPH	se	333.44
O'REIILY A PRTS	su	69.9
O'REILLY A PRTS	se	475.95
OFFICE SRVCS, INC	su	129.96



P NEIGHBORS	se	536
POPLAR ST CAR WSH	su	29.25
PRODIGY SLTNS INC	su	17222.05
R SCHROEDER PH D	se	950
REGION II SRVCS	se	18465
SCHABEN	su	332.73
SHERIFF CO FEES	se	1047.05
SHERIFFS FEE ACCT	se	1068.4
SHRAKE BDY SHP INC	se	542.1
SHRED IT	se	1286.02
STPLS ADVNTG	su	1051.37
TEXT MY GOV	se	9500
THE WLDNGR CORP	se	2460.51
TKE ELVTR CORP	ag	306.4
T GANN	mil	134
T JOHNSON	mil	26.6
TRNSUNION RISK & ALT	cont	125
TRINITY SERVICES GRP INC	se	6040.92
TYLER TECHNLS INC	se	508.41
U S BNK	se	51.43
U S BNK	se	176.28
U S BNK	se	138.41
U S BNK	se	196.44
UN OF NE	rt	850
VANGUARD APPRSL INC	eq	16425
VERIZON	se	479.46
WASH TIME C W	su	43
WHITETAIL SCR N PRNT	ex	376.31
WILKINSON DVLPMNT INC.	su	4590.63
WEX BNK	su	2497.32
<b>ROADS:</b>		
A T & T MBLTY	se	240.24
ALLO	se	230.99
ALS L & S	su	50
BILL SUMMERS LLC	se	47.33
BLCK HILLS ENRGY	se	854.47
BOMGAARS	su	45.97
BRADY G N G	se	311.87
CAR QUST OF NP	se	122.71
CITY OF NP	su	40,389.09
CNSLDTD TELE	se	622.98
CORNHSCR INTRNTNL	se	17.68
CO PRTNRS COOP	su	66



GOTHNBRG TIRE	su	521.47
HRSHY COOP TELE	su	79.7
IDEAL LIN	su	174.4
MCCOOK PUB PWR	se	167.5
MNRDS	su	254.67
MICHAEL TODD & CO INC	se	238.26
MILLER TIRE COMM WRHS	su	525
NMC EXCH LLC	se	3601.42
PLSNS INC	su	2017.73
PLATTE VLLY COMM	se	1995
PRONTO FUEL	su	3007.61
SCHABEN	se	25.95
SCOTTYS INTGRTD ENT LLC	su	123
U S BNK	se	464.64
VLLG OF BRADY	se	103.91
VLLG OF HRSHY	se	140.09
VLLG OF MXWLL	se	70
VLLG OF WLLCE	se	25
4 D REPR	se	830
MILLER & ASSC	eq	8982.42
OFFC SRVS INC	se	74.97
FRST CONCRD	ins	5514.43

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 A.M.

Advance notice and the agenda for the January 13, 2025, board meetings were sent to the county board and all others requesting the same. Advance public notice (includes agenda) of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting and the Lincoln County Board of Equalization meeting was posted at the Lincoln County Courthouse, City Hall, and the Lincoln County website on January 10, 2025; and was also emailed to the media on January 10, 2025.

The agenda for the meetings to be held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, will be kept continually current and open for inspection at the office of the Lincoln County Clerk. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:00 A.M. The regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Equalization will be at the Lincoln County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room at 9:15 A.M.

Rebecca J. Rossell  
Lincoln County Clerk

